

HB530: Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccinations
Sean Carr
Oppose

Dear Delegates:

I am writing to request that you please vote no on HB530, which would allow for pharmacists to vaccinate children, as young as 9 years old.

As a parent of two children, I know the value of the relationship that we have with our pediatrician. My daughter has a complicated medical history, and her pediatrician has been there for us every step of the way.

Childhood wellness visits are important and should not be skipped. Making vaccines available like a drive-thru hamburger does not add to the overall health of a child. I understand that parents are busy and some families have limited financial means; however, that is why we have medical assistance to support child wellness visits. The time spent taking children to the doctor must remain an important process of raising healthy children.

I strongly oppose this bill and ask you vote no and preserve the important parent, child, and pediatrician relationship.

Sincerely,

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